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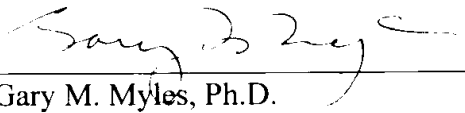
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97 through 1.98, applicants wish to make known to the Patent and Trademark Office the references set forth on the attached form PTO-1449. This application is a divisional and relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior application USAN 09/372,668, filed August 11, 1999. The references listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 were submitted to and/or cited by the Office in this prior application and, therefore, are not required to be provided in the present application. If the Examiner wishes, copies will be provided upon request.

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